

April 24, 1956

St. George:

At our meeting of April 16, I mentioned to you that in view of the experience developed in the past month's operations, spare Drift Sights and Hand Controls should be furnished to each detachment. I am, therefore, recommending that you authorize us to manufacture three additional periscopes (modified for sextant) and three additional hand controls. We are running close to the end of our production on the current contract quantities, and would, therefore, appreciate an early decision on your part in order to minimize any delivery delays for these additional units.

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At the moment, a verbal okay from you would be sufficient, and we would pick up the additional quantity on a contract amendment.

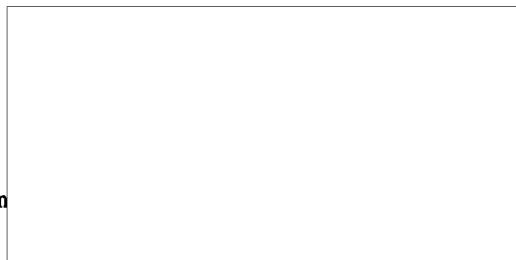
NEW SUBJECT: You are probably aware that we will have to face-up the spares problem for continuing operation. At present, the only spares we are committed to furnish under the present contract are the spares kits. Our original estimate was that these kits would suffice for the contract quantity of equipment for a period of at least one year. Field operations have shown us, however, that a number of these items should be increased in order to provide back up parts at the depot. At present, I am getting together a suggested list of such parts, and will have it in your hands by May 1. It would assist us in our procurement of long delivery items (glass domes, motors, relays) if I could have some indication from you as to whether you are agreeable to purchasing additional spare parts.

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NEW SUBJECT: In talking to our people concerning new orders for Trackers and Drift Sights, I have been informed that we should get started on this not later than the first week in May in order to meet Russ' desired deliveries of September, 1956 and later. This need to start work by early May is forced upon us by the relatively long delivery time we have been experiencing for parts from component manufacturers. You might pass this information on to Russ. As an example, delivery on raw glass domes would not be made to us until September if we put our order in not later than May 7. The reason for this is that Corning makes these domes on an order basis and not in continuous production.

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6. Approval of Amendment Number 2 to Contract No. SC-21-54 and execution thereof on behalf of the Agency by the authorized Project Contracting Officer is recommended.

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SA/PC/DCI - Project Director

CONCURRENCES:

John S. Warner, 20 April 1956
General Counsel

 4/19/56
Comptroller

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Approval requested in Paragraph 6
granted.

Allen Dulles
Director of Central Intelligence